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WATER RATES.

The Record understands that the principal criticism of the proposed waterworks franchise is directed at the rates fixed in the contract for private consumers. We believe that the figures have been misunderstood by those who are finding fault, and will take up this proposition in the light that it has been explained to us by a member of the Council who had the thing well pounded into his head while the franchise was under consideration in committee.

For instance, some add up the maximum monthly rates as follows:

Six room house,	\$.95
Sprinkling 50-ft. lawn,	2.50
Water Closet,	.75
Stable,	2.00

Bath Tub,	.75
Horse and Cow,	.20

TOTAL, \$7.15

The Record freely admits that not many people could afford to use water at such a price. But these figures in each case are for the single item without measuring the amount of water used. The man who requires water for all the purposes listed above can lay a pipe to his house and grounds large enough to supply all these demands, and connect with it as many smaller branch pipes as he pleases, have a meter put on the main supply pipe and pay the meter rate of 35 cents for the first thousand gallons and 20 cents for each additional thousand gallons.

Now let us figure some more. At the meter rate \$7.15 would pay for thirty-five thousand gallons of water, or nearly nine hundred barrels per month, thirty barrels per day. Most people would not use one-tenth of this amount of water for all the purposes mentioned. Figure it out yourself.

The monthly rates listed in the franchise are to protect the company against the economical fellow who puts in a one-inch pipe with a single faucet in the back yard, and draws water from it for all purposes. The company can require this man to use a meter furnished by the company, and on the other hand the man who pipes his house, barn, etc., can require the company to put in a meter so that he may pay for only the water he uses. The Mayor and Council so understood the rates before agreeing to submit the franchise to a vote of the people, and if our interpretation of the rates to private consumers be incorrect, the Record hopes that some person will publicly correct it before the matter comes to a vote.

W. E. Wiseley, the Democratic candidate for alderman from the Second ward is a "Hoosier." He was born and raised in Cass county, Indiana. There he served two terms as county trustee, or commissioner, resigning that office when he came to Roswell about four years ago. He is a property owner, money lender, capitalist, taxpayer and good citizen, as well as a life long Democrat. Competent, practical and progressive, he has made a success of his private business affairs and can safely be entrusted with the responsibility of representing his ward in the council of a city that is growing and building, advancing, climbing to the top and forging to the front. Mr. Wiseley has boys of his own growing up, and is in favor of high license, prohibition of gambling and enforcement of the laws to protect minors.

The Santa Fe New Mexican is still dodging. It asserts with great show of indignation that Governor Hagerman has been represented as "having it in for the Mexicans." The Colonel just naturally cannot meet any issue fairly. The Record has asserted, and repeats, that Governor Hagerman favors an educational qualification, even knowledge of the English language if you please, and competency, for holding public offices, serving on juries, etc. In this he stands for the best interests of the Mexican-American citizen as well as for the progress and advancement of the Territory. We have nothing against an in-

fant for not being able to talk, read and write—but we would not have him remain a baby after he is old enough to vote.

In the business center and more thickly settled portion of Roswell, where there is artesian water for ordinary purposes, there is greatest need of fire protection, and upon the heights, north, south and west, where artesian water is not available, the people need water more for other purposes than for fire protection. A waterworks system will supply the demands of all portions of the city, and now that the opportunity is presented there should be no opposition to the waterworks franchise.

"Harold Hurd, of Roswell, recently appointed deputy coal oil inspector for this district, was in Artesia Thursday working in an official capacity. Mr. Hurd informs the Advocate that the law does not provide for an inspection of the engine gasoline, or naphtha, and so it is up to the consumers to find some way of making the water burn that is sent out in the name of gasoline by the Continental Oil Co.—Artesia Advocate.

The Democratic "love feast" Monday night has aroused a sentiment in favor of having Democrats get together frequently and become better acquainted with each other. This thing of standing off and cussing the other fellow is the worst thing the matter with Roswell Democracy.

Gamblers and saloon men are voters, and if they happen to be in the majority at any primary it is because church members and Sunday school teachers, lawyers, doctors, merchants and real estate men stay at home.

The Santa Fe Eagle suggests that the Governor should invest in an old-fashioned stamp puller. With its assistance he might be able to get some of the Territorial officials out of the clearing.

Now that the officials of the Standard Oil trust have confessed what has been generally known for years, the Kansas City Times wonders if the trust will also be expected to punish its own sins.

Andrew Carnegie is doing lots of advertising for a man who has retired from business. He now declares himself in favor of railroad rate control.

Denton has raised about \$40,000 of the \$50,000 necessary to secure the

T. N. M. & P. railroad.—McKinney (Tex.) Examiner.

If, as reported, all "crooks" are to be driven from the city, what shall we do for politicians?—New York Herald.

We presume the New Mexican still sees a halo floating just above the horns of "Hull" Andrews.

The town of Artesia has completed the organization of a Civic Improvement Club.

The Democratic rooster appears to have the whole barnyard to himself.

Col. Thos. B. Catron is heading the non-partisan city ticket at Santa Fe.

DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM.

(Adopted by the Roswell City Convention, Mar. 17, 1906.)

Be it resolved by this convention that the Democratic party of Roswell acknowledges its responsibility and is proud of the record made during the past two years; and further that we declare ourselves in favor of a continuation of the present progressive policy in the conduct of municipal affairs; that we favor the present high license on saloons, the suppression of gambling, the tiling of the irrigation ditches, extension of sidewalks, grading of streets, and all efforts tending to make a cleaner and better city of Roswell.

Second, That we are in favor of municipal ownership of all public utilities, whenever it is the wish of a majority of the people of the city so to own the same, and therefore, we are in favor of all future franchises containing a provision whereby the city within a reasonable time may acquire such franchises upon fair and just terms to the owners thereof.

Suppression of Gambling.

The Dallas News says that in an effort to suppress gambling in the Southern district of Indian Territory, Judge Dickerson has issued an order that all places where such is reported be visited daily by a United States officer, and if gambling is found, to arrest all persons and confiscate and

destroy all gambling tools and furniture. To make the order more effective the proprietors of such places will not be allowed to conduct any business in them until it can be shown to the satisfaction of the court that no gambling is going on.

All tramps and traveling gamblers and men who do not support their families are also to be arrested for vagrancy if found within the jurisdiction of this court and given ninety days in jail on bread and water. The order has caused a general "hiding" out of the gambling fraternity.

Death From Scarlet Fever.

The youngest child of O. E. Santhosen, the florist, died yesterday of scarlet fever. The funeral was held this morning from the Ullery undertaking rooms, Rev. C. E. Lukens conducting the service. Interment was made in the city cemetery.

Death From Consumption.

Mrs. Blakesley, who was here on account of consumption, died of that disease at her home on West Hill last night. The funeral will occur tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock from the home.

C. M. Bird, clerk of the district court, came in this morning from Carlsbad, court having adjourned there last night, to meet June 22 for the purpose of selecting names for the jury wheel. The regular business of the term is finished at Carlsbad. Judge Pope will return tomorrow.

Suit for Three Suits.

A. J. Nisbet has filed suit in district court for Strahorn, a corporation doing business in Chicago, against W. G. Hamilton, of this city, for \$242, alleged to be due as the price of three suits of clothes, also for interest and costs.

The Star Market's delivery "chariot" was in another runaway yesterday afternoon. This was not the runaway it had Monday afternoon, nor the one it had a week ago, nor still the one three weeks ago. It was an entirely different horse, that did not like to be left standing tied to the curbing in front of the shop.

Mrs. A. Slaughter, of Chicago, is here for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Gronsky.

C. L. and E. R. Tallmadge have returned from a business trip to the Panhandle.

SPECIAL DRIVES FOR

Balance of Week

The following articles will be on special sale at our store at unusually low prices THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY.

Toilet Soaps 10c kind = 3 1-2c
Imported Castile 10c kind 3 1-2c
Val. Lace 10c kind = 3 1-2c

White Dress Linen 25c
to 35c kind 19c
Pongee Silk 75c to \$1 at 59c

Special low prices will be made on Muslin Underwear, Silk Skirts and Handkerchiefs and Mexican Drawn Work.

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